



Wayland Area NEWS AND NEIGHBORS with Carol Reynolds

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Erma Bombeck gives a hilarious account of a weekend visit of adult offspring in her latest book. Many parents can relate to her "when I went to bed they were going out, when I got up for breakfast, they were coming in."

The young people, in turn, comment their parent's social life is "somewhere to the right of sedated parakeets" and were shocked to hear their Dad say "who could that be at this hour" when the phone rang at 8:30 at night.

I don't know how or when it happens, but an empty nest takes on a serenity that seems shattered by any disturbance that occurs once the slippers have been put on. Believe me, the generation gap is real!

Sept. 1 through 12 will be a fine-free period at the Wayland Free Library so return all those over-due books and give others a chance to enjoy them!

Do you know which two states rejected the Constitution, ratifying it only after it had been put into effect or who was elected but refused to attend the Constitutional Convention because "he smelt a rat"? The answers to these questions and 22 others about the Constitution are in a quiz available at the library. Be informed and be proud in this anniversary year!

June Perkins of Webster Crossing was presented a County Pin at the annual County Home Bureau picnic. The School Belle Chapter opened the fall season this week at the Springwater Legion. Josephine Serfine is the new chairman. An open house will be held Sept. 16 at 10 a.m. and all are welcome.

The rains stalled the Great Chair Race and the street dance on Friday but the skies cleared and the weather was perfect the rest of the weekend for the sixth Potato Festival. Congratulations to the organizers and participants for another successful event.

Steuben Area Boy Scout Council will follow the lead of the national organization in the war against alcohol and drug abuse. A special 18 page booklet and teacher's guide "Drugs, A Deadly Game" is available through the Council Service Center. This effort is based on one of the primary goals of Boy Scouts of America, physical, mental, and moral fitness. The leadership feels many program activities offer innumerable opportunities for education the membership in this area.

The first meeting of the Rosary Society will be Wednesday, Sept. 16. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service for a truen supper at 6:30 p.m. A speaker with a slide presentation from Faith Haven in Naples will present a program. Faith Haven is "the compassionate alternative to abortion" where young women

explore their self identity and self worth while being guided toward successful re-entry into the community through education and vocational guidance.

St. Paul's annual fish dinner has been set for Friday, Sept. 18, at Wayland Central School. Save the date.

Help for Adolescent Mothers (H.A.M.), the teen-parent program, will be offering free teen childbirth classes in Dansville and Avon the months of September and October. Infant Care Classes for parents of newborns and On the Grow classes for parents of one to four year olds will also be given. For information or to volunteer, call H.A.M. at 716-335-3103 collect.

The first meeting to plan this year's Haunted House was held at the Wayland United Methodist Church on Tuesday evening this week. Anyone over age 16 who missed the first meeting and would like to be involved can contact Audrey Kline at 728-2437 for more information.

The first "Talk It Over" of the new season will be held at the Wayland Library Sept. 11 at 10:30 a.m. in conjunction with Storyhour for three-five year olds. There is no charge for either program and the public is welcome to attend either or both. "Talk It Over" is a discussion series for parents of young children. Parents with children in Storyhour, with younger children in tow, or children in school are all welcome to participate. Rev. Paul Schnacky will talk on "Parents Need Love and Attention Too" on the 11th. On Oct. 9, Nanette Cornie will talk over "Family Fitness." Programs will be the second Friday of each month from September to May.

All past and present Girl Scout leaders and volunteers are invited to a reunion banquet in honor of the 75th Anniversary of Girl Scouting at the Wayland Little House Oct. 7. Reminiscing over punch will be from 6 to 7 p.m. with dinner served at 7 o'clock. Dinner is \$6.00 a person and reservations will be accepted until Sept. 25. This is the first such event held in the Wayland School District and reservations will be limited so sign up today. Call 728-5632 for more information.

Have a safe Labor Day weekend and remember school starts next week so watch out for excited little ones crossing the street. Older students who deliberately challenge cars and walk in the road need the same consideration although one wonders of what they are thinking. I remember a friend who daringly stepped in front of a rapidly approaching car as soon as the light changed commenting "they have to stop." I cringed as the car screeched to a halt, inches from my companion, hoping the person who "had to stop" had good brakes, was paying attention, had good reflexes, etc. Even at age 14, I worried a lot.

Call Parochial Pupils

A program of orientation to be Tuesday for the faculty members of St. Joseph's School in Wayland will mark the start the 1987-88 school year. The school will open with a fully scheduled day Wednesday.

The Rev. Paul R. Schnacky, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, will lead off the teachers' session with a prayer and share his hopes for the school in the coming year. The business portion of the meeting will be conducted by Sister Marie Stanislaus, principal.

Sister Stanislaus reports the school's academic program has been restructured to include the Early Childhood Program in addition to the primary and inter-

mediate elementary levels. She said the Early Childhood Program consists of three groups of four-year-old children and one group of three-year-olds, making a full registration for the pre-school program.

An orientation session for parents of pre-schoolers will be conducted at 7 p.m. Wednesday by Sherry Waltman and her aides. The respective groups of children will start their classes next Thursday and Friday, Sept. 11.

The principal announced the kindergarten program will be a half-day session "but this year's classes will be held during the morning," she said. Beverly Markell, kindergarten teacher, will welcome the group.

Sister Stanislaus reported Karen McGavisk will greet the first graders. Lynnette McAllister is second grade teacher.

Other teachers are Ann Schubmehl, third grade; Mary Biggee, fourth grade; Carol VanHagen,

Banquet for Firemen Steuben Vols Convene

The Steuben County firemen's annual banquet and meeting was held in the Perkinsville Fire Hall during the county convention in Wayland.

Co-hosted by the fire departments in Wayland and Perkinsville, election of county officers and special awards were presented.

Acting as hostesses for the dinner and hospitality were members of the Auxiliary of both companies. Officers of the Perkinsville Auxiliary are Elizabeth Conrad, president; Evelyn Schafer, vice-president; Tracey Hughes, secretary; Ann Averill, floral, and Jane Congdon, treasurer. Kim Luther, Bonnie Hughes, Julie Congdon, and Jane Mark also assisted. From the Wayland Firemen's Auxiliary were Noreen Wood, president; Bonnie Wilkinson, vice-president; Lisa Wilkinson, secretary; Joyce Hayes, treasurer; and Gladys Wood, bingo chairman.

Perkinsville Fire Queen Jessica Bricks and alternate Tiffany York and Wayland Queen Corrie Gonzales and alternate Mary Kay Stoddard were hostesses for visiting queens and alternates from other departments.

Charles P. Johnson of Hornell, past chief of the South Hornell Department and Steuben County coroner, was the master of ceremonies. Assemblyman Paul D. Tonko of Amsterdam was the main speaker along with Pat

Clancy, co-chairman, OSHA Abatement.

Chairmen of the event were Thomas Huber Jr. and Raymond Thielges III of Perkinsville and Randy Moore and Donald Fredericy of Wayland. Rev. Ferdinand Kurz gave the invocation. Other honored guests include Sheriff Jack Lisi, Assemblyman Donald Davidson, and Supervisor John Malter.

Awards were presented to three non-firemen and two firemen. Duane Rhude was acknowledged for safely evacuating developmentally disabled passengers from an A.R.C. bus he was driving when it caught on fire. Wendy Dresser and Dan Stewart assisted in the rescue and were so honored. Larry Yonkin of Forest View Gang Mills Department was named "Fireman of the Year" and a Special Recognition Award was presented to Benjamin Crowl of Caton.

Officers of the Wayland Department are Gene Fleischman, president; Thomas McDonald, vice-president; Donald Jansch, secretary; Michael Parks, treasurer; Randy Moore, fire chief; Donald Fredericy, first assistant; Harmon Spencer, second assistant; Jeff O'Neil, third assistant.

Ambulance Corps leaders include Priscilla Abbey, first lieutenant; mark Palmer, captain; Becky Mosher, second lieutenant. Other officers are Gary Wood, res-

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School buses will be running Wednesday and school bells ringing around the country. As students settle in their respective classes teachers will often ask the students to write a short essay for their first assignment. A friend of mine passed the following on to me from the Dansville Presbyterian Church which was in a recent bulletin. It came from N.Y.W. Retired Teacher's Association Magazine.

A Child's View of Retirement: When school reconvened after the summer recess, the teacher asked her small pupils how they had spent their holiday. One lad's reply went something like this:

"We always go to my Grandma's house for the summer. They used to live up here in a big brick house, but my Grandpa retarded and they moved to Florida. They live in a place with a lot of other retarded people and they all live in houses made out of tin.

"They ride great big old tricycles and go to a big building that they call 'The wrecked hall' but if it was wrecked, it got fixed, cause it's all right now. They play games there and do exercises, but they don't do them very good.

"There is a swimming pool, and they go to it and just stand in the water with their hats on. I guess they don't know how to swim!

"My Grandma used to make cookies 'n stuff, but I guess she forgot how. Nobody cooks, they just eat in restaurants.

"When you go into the place, there is a little doll house where a man sits all day, watching so you can't get out without him seeing

you. "My Grandma says Grandpa worked all his life and earned his retardment, but I wish they's move back up here."

Now: ain't that the truth from the mouth of babes?

Our local college students are packing up and according to Erma Bombeck's advise last week parents hang on tight to your possessions. They literally strip the house. About the only thing you don't have to worry about disappearing is the broom and dust pan and the lawn mower. All parents out there with college bound children know what I'm talking about.

This weekend the following are headed to their respective colleges: Susan Didas, Mike Flaitz and Brett Johantgen to Fredonia; Bruce Lawton, Fred Johantgen and Mike Shafer to Monroe Community College, Barry Schumbel to Cornell, Ted Didas to Rochester Institute of Technology, Kellie Miller to Maria Regina College in Syracuse and Mark Didas to Syracuse University. Andy Mattie to the University of Buffalo and I hear Andy, a freshman, has been selected to play on the football team, Mike Didas to Oswego.

Winners of the 50-week club at the Perkinsville Fire Hall Sunday Aug. 23 was Barbara Huber and last Sunday's winner was Dennis Cole from Canisteo.

Tomorrow is the monthly First Friday Golden Ager dinner at the Perkinsville Community Center, beginning with Mass at 11:30 a.m. All area Golden Agers (over 55) are welcome. Bring table service.

Found, in front of our house, an afghan. If you lost it, call me and identify.

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A northern elephant seat was recorded at a depth of 2,900 feet, says National Geographic.

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